

**Topical Heading**

Postsecondary Improvement

**Program Title**

# Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education—Comprehensive Program

**Also Known as**

FIPSE, Comprehensive Program

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.116

**Administering Office**

Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE)

**Who May Apply (by category)**

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

A combination of institutions, nonprofit organizations, and other organizations or agencies also may apply.

**Current Competitions**

FY 2006 application deadline expected: late May 2006.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2004      \$24,386,000

Fiscal Year 2005      \$11,773,000

Fiscal Year 2006      \$17,166,000

Note: The amount shown for fiscal year 2006 under Appropriations above is a portion of the FY 2006 appropriation for FIPSE programs.

**Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 57

Average New Award: \$197,000 per year

Range of New Awards: \$150,000–\$600,000

Number of Continuation Awards: 41

Average Continuation Award: \$144,000

Range of Continuation Awards: \$68,000–\$205,000

**Legislative Citation**

*Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, Title VII, Part B; 20 *U.S.C.* 1138–1138d.

**Program Regulations**

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**Program Description**

The program supports and disseminates innovative reform projects that promise to be models for improving the quality of postsecondary education and increasing student access.

**Types of Projects**

Awards are made in a number of areas including: postsecondary education access; retention and completion; student preparation for college; cost-effectiveness; and curricula reform.

**Education Level (by category)**

Postsecondary

**Subject Index**

Demonstration Programs, Distance Education, Educational Improvement, Educational Innovation, Postsecondary Education

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<http://www.ed.gov/programs/fipsecomp>